

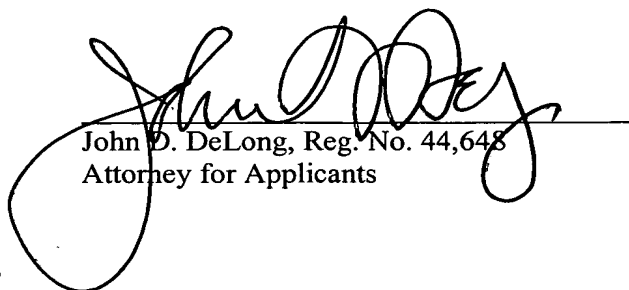
Remarks

Claim 1 has been amended to require treatment with polyepoxide before twist of the yarns.

Conclusion

Applicants urge that the amended claims are now fully patentable over the cited art. Applicants respectfully request allowance of all claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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